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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI

No. 2015-TS-00605

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**LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

*Appellant*

v.

**ADRIAN SHIPMAN**

*Appellee*

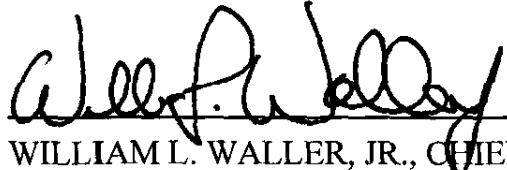
**ORDER**

This matter is before the Court, *en banc*, on the Motion to Expedite Appeal filed by the Appellant Legislature of the State of Mississippi. This appeal involves the ballot title to Alternative Measure 42A. The motion represents that the general election is on November 3, 2015, such that the ballot title must be “finally determined” before September 9, 2015, as the Mississippi Secretary of State “must furnish a sample of the official ballot to each county 55 days before the election . . . .” On April 17, 2015, this Court directed “all other parties, as well as the Mississippi Attorney General, [to] file a response to” this motion. Responses were filed by Appellee Adrian Shipman, the Mississippi Attorney General, and fifty (50) members of the Mississippi House of Representatives, who were “[i]ntervenors in the court below . . . .” After due consideration, the Court finds that this motion is well-taken and should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Motion to Expedite Appeal filed by the Appellant Legislature of the State of Mississippi is hereby granted. This case is retained by the Mississippi Supreme Court. The record and any transcript shall be filed with the Clerk of this Court on or before Friday, May 15, 2015. The Appellant’s Brief shall be filed on or

before Friday, May 22, 2015. The Appellee's Brief shall be filed on or before Friday, May 29, 2015. The Appellant's Reply Brief shall be filed on or before Monday, June 1, 2015. Upon entry of this Order, the Clerk of this Court shall give all counsel, the trial court clerk, and the court reporter notice by telephone of the contents of this Order.

SO ORDERED, this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

  
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WILLIAM L. WALLER, JR., CHIEF JUSTICE  
FOR THE COURT